

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

February 18, 1960  
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Absent: None

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police.

Invocation was delivered by REV. GENE RUTLEDGE, Koenig Lane Christian Church, 908 Koenig Lane.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the meetings of January 28, 1960, and of February 11, 1960, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

MR. CLINT SMALL, JR., representing Intra-Tex Gas Company, listed the various times the company had met with the Council and sent in written proposals; and stated that on January 5, the Company was asked if there were any concessions price-wise that it could make, and the Company made them. He further stated that on January 13th, the Company entered into what it thought and still thinks was a valid agreement with the city; and acting on that agreement, the Company contacted with Tidewater for gas in the Normanna Field, and with Houston Pipe Line Company, and obtained 433 billion cubic feet of gas which Intra-Tex was to sell to the City. He said \$15,000 had been spent in surveying the pipe line route and in getting ready to perform on this agreement; and that \$100,000 cash had been put up to insure performance. He said he wanted to point out that 433 billion cubic feet of gas was deliverable and proven available at this time, a substantial amount of which was at a fixed price. He made a comparison of this contract with the present contract, pointing out the merits of his contract. He stated the Company was ready and was proceeding to fulfill the contract; however in view of the controversy, dissatisfaction, unhappiness and misunderstanding, it would be hard to start out with a project of this size, and the company would like to cooperate in an effort to clear the atmosphere; that although it had

obligated itself, it would be willing to waive its agreement, get the problem settled, and help get the city the best gas deal possible. He said that the Company was willing to do this if the bidding would be opened up to everybody; that everybody send in sealed bids, that publications be made in the paper, and that some fairly definite specifications of what the City expected be set up; that the City should insist that the Intra-Tex bid be beat should anyone else get the contract. He suggested also that as soon as the bids were in that they be turned over to the consultant--the most capable consultant that the City could get--and after the consultant evaluates the bids, that the contract be given. He said his company would be willing to proceed on that basis. The Mayor thanked Mr. Small for his very fair statement. He then explained the prices and contracts with the present Company, and told of the contract with the company that had the finances and the reserves, but the company broke up among themselves. He reviewed the dealings with Mr. Haas in September or October; and with some of the principal stockholders, one of whom had submitted a proposal which took about 25 days, and then had called the City Manager stating he was no longer interested. He said the company then came in with a short ultimatum on January 13th. He said he was perfectly willing to throw this matter open and get it done in 30 days, and engage a very fine geologist to look at everybody's proposals. He said it was a fine spirit in which Mr. Small had entered into this, and that his company certainly would be given every consideration; that the City would ask the firm of DeGolyer to handle this, and that it would want its citizens committee to come in and recommend. MR. SMALL stated if the matter were put up under the points which he had outlined, the Company would waive whatever rights it had under its contract and do its best to come in and make a bid. The Mayor thanked Mr. Small for his magnanimous consideration of the City's plight in the matter. Councilman Bechtol thanked the group also. Councilman Palmer commended MR. SMALL and Associates on this extremely magnanimous gesture, which would clear the deck; and stated that regardless of who the bidder will be, the issue will not be clouded. He suggested that the City proceed with setting up proper specifications and ask possibly the City Manager and City Attorney to submit to the Council as soon as possible a set of specifications both from a technical standpoint--weight of gas, etc., as well as the financial responsibility of the firm, the reserve factors, and the price etc. He suggested also that the City proceed along the lines Mr. Small set out in taking these bids, and open the matter up to all, and not having anyone come in at the last. After discussion, Councilman Palmer moved that the Council proceed to employ a well-known recognized geologist who will advise and evaluate the bids and make his recommendation to the City Council; and to instruct the City Manager to advertise for sealed bids for a natural gas supply for the Electric generating system, to be submitted on March 7, 1960, at 10:00 A.M., and to also instruct the City Manager and City Attorney to submit specifications to the Council by 3:00 P.M. Friday afternoon, February 19, 1960, and that the City Council would attempt to award the contract to the lowest and best responsible bidder within 30 days from February 17, 1960. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller

Noes: None

Present but not voting: Councilman Perry\*

\*Councilman Perry made the following statement:

"One thing that we can't seem to get to the people is that we have already taken public bids on gas supply last November after studying the matter at length. Yet we have been unable to close any firm contract. Now the Council talks about taking bids again. How

many times a city can take bids I do not know, but since I am not convinced that this is a sincere attempt to obtain a fixed price contract, I am not going to take part. Also I am including the following statement so that in the future there will be no doubt about where I stood on this matter.

"The matter of obtaining a fixed price contract for the city gas supply has again been postponed. It is unbelievable to me that one man should have such power. You, Mayor Miller, have again succeeded in getting your way. If, because of this additional delay, the City should be unable to obtain a fixed price contract, you will be held responsible for as long as Austin is a city. This is your doing...you take the responsibility."

Councilman White made the following statement concerning his vote:

"Mr. Small, I appreciate your stand in this matter. This gas proposition has been worrying us all for the last several weeks, and I want to assure you, as one Council member, that if you come in with a low bid and everything is up to snuff, and is the best contract, you can figure on Ben White voting for you."

MR. BOB ROSS, MR. SPENCER LLOYD, MR. NAT GOODFRIEND, and MR. JOHN POWELL appeared before the Council regarding some of the rates of the Auditorium and the loss of some conventions due to their being classified in the higher rate category. The three in question are the TEXAS STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (4,000 persons), the TEXAS SOIL CONSERVATION (1200 persons) and TEXAS FARM BUREAU. MR. ROSS, spokesman, asked the Council to reclassify the Teachers Association as Educational instead of Commercial. He said they were not competing with other City Auditoriums, but the competition was with hotels in Dallas and Houston, who give the exhibit space at a nominal fee. Mayor Miller explained that the Auditorium should not be a burden on the taxpayers, but that it should eventually pay its own way; and that the rates had been made competitive and were lower than other cities. He said the Auditorium was the best and was at the best location, with more parking and exhibit spaces. He said the Council, City Manager and Manager of the Auditorium would work with the group. A report on "Auditorium Rental Rates for Conventions" by Mr. F. W. Vickers, dated February 17, 1960, was read. Mr. JOHN POWELL stated the best thing would be to come back with some specific requests, and the Mayor stated that the Council would help all it could, and that it wanted to get the Auditorium at least paying its overhead.

No action was taken on the following zoning application, as the applicant was to go over his plans with the opposition and see if they would be agreeable:

NASH PHILLIPS-  
CLYDE COPUS

6305-6433 Cameron Road  
1301-07 Wheless Lane

From "A" Residence  
To "GR" General Retail  
RECOMMENDED by the  
Planning Commission  
except for a 25' strip  
along south and east  
boundaries

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, JULY 17, 1941, AND RECORDED IN ORDINANCE BOOK "L", PAGES 152-174, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, WHICH ORDINANCE WAS AMENDATORY OF THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONING REGULATIONS AND DISTRICTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, APRIL 23, 1931, AND RECORDED IN BOOK "I", PAGES 301-318, INCLUSIVE, OF THE ORDINANCE RECORDS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, THE AMENDATORY ORDINANCE HEREBY CHANGING THE FOLLOWING:  
 (1) LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 1, OAKMONT HEIGHTS, FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "LR" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT;  
 AND (2) LOTS 13 AND 14, BLOCK 1, DIVISION D, SHOALMONT ADDITION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "O" OFFICE DISTRICT; SAID PROPERTY BEING LOCATED IN AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; ORDERING A CHANGE IN THE USE MAPS SO AS TO RECORD THE CHANGES HEREBY ORDERED; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Palmer moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
 Noes: None

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Palmer moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
 Noes: None

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Palmer moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
 Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

The Mayor brought up the following zoning application deferred from last week:

KRUEGER BUILDING  
 MATERIALS

6906 Burnet Road

From "A" Residence  
 To "C" Commercial  
 RECOMMENDED by the  
 Planning Commission  
 with provision that  
 adequate off-street  
 parking be provided

The Mayor asked those who wished to grant the change to "C" Commercial to vote "aye"; those opposed to vote "no". Roll call showed the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The Mayor announced that the change had been granted to "C" Commercial and the City Attorney was instructed to draw the necessary ordinance to cover.

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MR. BOB ROSS appeared before the Council regarding his proposal for Restaurant at the new Terminal and for Gift shop and News stand in the new terminal. The City Manager stated that the Director of Aviation had been working with Mr. Ross for some time and had come up with the proposals which he recommended for Council approval. Lengthy discussion was held on matters covering the operations, prices to be charged, class of food to be served, hours of operation, vending machines, size of sign, and many other details. The Council had before it the two proposals as recommended by the City Manager as follows:

"Proposal for Restaurant in New Terminal

1. Free automobile parking - with limited time adjacent to entrance.
2. Term - three (3) years with option to renew at renegotiated rates for an extended period.
3. City furnish all utilities - water, light, heat, air conditioning and bulbs.
4. Rates: 6% to \$15,000 mo. gross receipts; 15-30,000 - 7%; 30-50,000 - 8%; over 50,000 - 9% on items of food and drink in restaurant. 50% of net profit from vending machines dispensing food items, drinks, cigarettes and candy.
5. Restaurant authorized to sell tobacco products, and candy items included in gross receipts.
6. Books subject to periodic audits by city auditors.
7. Beer and wine sales authorized.
8. Hours of operation - same as present lease.
9. City furnish permanent items of kitchen equipment and permanently fixed items in dining area including counter, stools, and booths. Operator furnish dining room equipment (tables, chairs, dishes, glassware, linens, silverware, etc.) and expendable items of kitchen equipment (pots, pans, mixing bowls, portable items, etc.)
10. Routine maintenance of city owned equipment (greasing, cleaning, etc.) responsibility of operator. Major maintenance or replacement of equipment, unless caused by neglect or carelessness on part of the operator or his employees, shall be responsibility of city.
11. Except for drinks, package food items, candy and cigarettes dispensed through vending machines, no other food operation or bar will be permitted to operate on airport, except by consent of operator and city.

"Proposal for Gift Shop and Newsstand in New Terminal

1. Term - three (3) years with option to renew at renegotiated rates for an extended period.
2. City furnish all utilities - water, light, heat, air conditioning and bulbs.
3. Rates - 10% of gross receipts on gift and novelty items. 5% of gross

- receipts on newsstand, cig. st. items.
4. Books subject to periodic audits by city auditors.
  5. All items of furniture and equipment to be furnished by operator.

Councilman Palmer moved that the City Manager be authorized to enter into a contract on the terms set out here with the DRISKILL HOTEL COMPANY on the restaurant, gift shop and newsstand operations at the Airport Terminal. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

This was voted subject to Mr. Brown's approval.

MRS. FRANCES HODGE commended the Council on its action in the gas matter in taking new bids.

No action was taken on the appointment to a vacancy on the hospital board. The City Manager was to contact the gentleman suggested and talk with him.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a Pipe Line License with the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company for the installation of a 54-inch embedded steel cylinder concrete pipe encased in 30 feet of 84-inch 10 gage galvanized liner plate, and appurtenances, such pipe line to cross said railroad company's property south of 35th Street at Engineer's Chainage Station 9306/87.3 in G. W. Spear Survey, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The City Manager submitted the following:

"February 15, 1960

"Memorandum To: Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager

Mr. O. G. Brush, Purchasing Agent

"From: A. H. Ullrich, Superintendent Water & Sewage Treatment

"Subject: Tabulation of bids received for the furnishing of Sludge Removal Equipment for Water Treatment Plant No. 1 (located at 600 West First Street)

"Sealed bids were received in the office of the Purchasing Agent at 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, February 3, 1960 for the furnishing of the above described equipment.

"The results of these bids and my recommendations are as follows:

Bidder	Base Bid	Shipment Calendar Days
Process Engineers, Inc. San Mateo, California	\$44,439.00	154
Link-Belt Company Colmer, Pennsylvania	43,535.00	150
Walker Process Equipment, Inc. Aurora, Illinois	42,432.00	140
Dorr-Oliver, Incorporated Dallas, Texas	68,929.00	170

"All bids prices are firm and all bids are f.o.b. Filter Plant No. 1, 600 West First Street, Austin, Texas.

"Recommendation: It is my recommendation that the Walker Process Equipment, Incorporated low base bid in the amount of \$42,432.00, on equipment as specified, be accepted.

(Sgd) A. H. Ullrich"

- "Notes: 1. Dorr-Oliver, Incorporated also submitted an alternate bid on equipment lighter than specified. This alternate bid was in the amount of \$38,624.00. It was not considered because the equipment proposed under it does not meet our specifications and because it is not suitable for the severe operating conditions which we anticipate.
2. Process Engineers, Inc. also submitted an alternate bid for furnishing steel center piers (which were not specified) in addition to the equipment specified. This alternate bid was in the amount of \$48,501.00. Since Process Engineers was not low on their base bid on equipment as specified and their alternate was correspondingly higher, their alternate was also not considered.
3. The equipment for which these bids were taken includes three sludge collecting mechanisms for installation in the existing 4,000,000 gallon settling basin at Filter Plant No. 1, 600 West First Street. As you know, this settling basin has never been equipped with sludge removal equipment. In order to operate it we must drain it periodically so that the accumulated sludge can be washed to the river. The proposed equipment is for installation in the basin and is for collecting the sludge. It is the first equipment which needs to be installed for collecting and removing the sludge continuously while the basin is in operation, so that we can operate without discharging the sludge to the river. We plan to take bids on sludge pumps and other necessary equipment in the near future.

4. The project for which the above equipment is proposed is in our current budget. The bids prices which we received are within our cost estimate.

(Sgd) A.H.U."

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 3, 1960 for the furnishing of Sludge Removal Equipment for Water Treatment Plant No. 1 (located at 600 West First Street); and

WHEREAS, the bid of Walker Process Equipment, Inc., in the sum of \$42,432.00, was the lowest and best bid therefor, and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Superintendent, Water & Sewage Treatment, of the City of Austin, and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the bid of Walker Process Equipment, Inc., in the sum of \$42,432.00 be and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Austin with Walker Process Equipment, Inc.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

The City Manager submitted the following:

"Sealed Bids opened 10:00 A.M. Feb. 16, 1960  
Tabulated by: O.G. Brush, Purchasing Agent

"CITY OF AUSTIN BIDS FOR HEAVY DUTY INDUSTRIAL LOADER  
STREET & BRIDGE DIVISION

INDUSTRIAL BACKHOE AND TRACTOR COMBINATION per City's Specs.	QUAN.	McCORMICK FARM STORE	GIRARD MACH. & SUPPLY CO.	LANFORD EQUIP. COMPANY	H. W. LEWIS EQUIP. CO.	JIM DULANEY MACH. CO.	AUSTIN TRUCK & MACH. CO.
	1 ea.	\$5424.05	\$5892.00	\$6610.00	\$6591.20	\$7707.91	\$5310.00
Manufact- urer		Inter- national	Minnea- polis- Moline	Massey Ferguson	Allis- Chalmers	Oliver	J.I. Case

"RECOMMENDATION: The bid of Austin Truck & Machinery Company for

\$5310.00 did not meet City's specifications for Belt and Drawbar Horse Power.

"Recommend acceptance of lowest bid meeting specifications as submitted by McCormick Farm Store for \$5,424.05.

"W. T. Williams, Jr. City Manager"

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City of Austin on February 16, 1960, for the purchase of one heavy duty industrial backhoe and tractor; and,

WHEREAS, the bid of McCormick Farm Store in the sum of \$5,424.05 was the lowest and best bid therefor; and the acceptance of such bid has been recommended by the Purchasing Agent of the City of Austin, and by the City Manager; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the bid of McCormick Farm Store in the sum of \$5,424.05 be, and the same is hereby accepted, and W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager of the City of Austin, is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the City with McCormick Farm Store.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

Councilman Palmer offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the City Council of the City of Austin hereby approves the property situated on the east side of Harmon Avenue as a private gasoline plant consisting of a 550 gallon underground tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, which property is owned by Lew Lumber Company, and is Lot 4, Richard Hooper Subdivision of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and hereby authorizes the said Lew Lumber Company, by their agent, Joe Friedman, to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 550 gallon underground tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, subject to the same being operated in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto, and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue an occupancy permit for the operation of this private gasoline plant after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted, and accepted subject to all necessary, reasonable, and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, in the enforcement of the proper police, traffic and fire regulations;

and the right of revocation is retained if, after hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said Lew Lumber Company, by their agent, Joe Friedman, has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas  
February 17, 1960

"Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.  
City Manager  
Austin, Texas

"Dear Sir:

"I, the undersigned, have considered the application of Lew Lumber Company, by their agent, Joe Friedman, for permission to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 550 gallon underground tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment and from which no gasoline is to be sold, upon property located on the east side of Harmon Avenue, which property is designated as Lot 4, Richard Hooper Subdivision in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and locally known as 4709 Harmon Avenue.

"This property is located in a "C" Commercial District and I recommend that this permit be granted subject to the following conditions:

"(1) That the gasoline tanks and pumps shall be of an approved type and shall bear the label of the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., and that all tanks and pumps shall be installed in compliance with the Ordinance governing the storage and handling of gasoline.

"(2) That all tanks and pumps shall be located not nearer than 10 feet to the property line and so located that cars stopped for the purpose of unloading or receiving gasoline or other supplies shall not in any way obstruct the free passage of traffic on either the sidewalk, street, or alley.

"(3) That "No Smoking" signs shall at all times be prominently displayed and no person shall be permitted to smoke on the premises where gasoline is handled or stored.

"(4) That all fees shall be paid and a permit secured from the Building Inspector's Office before any installation work is started, and that no equipment shall be placed in operation until after final inspection and approval of same.

"Respectfully submitted,  
(Sgd) J. C. Eckert  
Building Inspector"

The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

No action was taken on trade of property from Mr. Giles for city-owned property along the railroad behind Delwood Community Center, as the Council wanted to look at the two tracts of land. The Mayor suggested that the Council go with Mr. Rountree, and also ask Mr. Osborne and Mr. Barrow to look at the two tracts of land owned by Mr. Giles.

The Director of Public Works stated Mr. Nash Phillips and Mr. Currington were in to discuss a drainage problem they had adjoining an old subdivision. The City Manager suggested that the City participate in it, under the policy that had been set, and pay the costs above a 36" pipe. Mr. Phillips had said if they had to pay on this basis, or one-half of the cost in this case, it would make the subdivision a loss instead of a profit. The Mayor said the Council would have to go look at the area.

The Council discussed the request of MR. RECTOR ALLEN to place planter boxes on Congress Avenue and on West 6th Street. The City Manager stated the main problem was the matter of insurance. The Mayor suggested that one plant be set up first to see how it would work out. The City Attorney stated that the Code would have to be amended. Councilman Palmer moved that an ordinance be prepared covering this request under a special permit provision, and including any indemnification and insurance provisions. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

After discussing the request of MR. SCHECHTER for hooded meters in front of his cleaning establishment at 613 Congress Avenue, Councilman White moved that the request for hooded meters be denied, because if this request is granted, a precedent would be established. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, after an engineering and traffic investigation, the City Council has found that the maximum reasonable and safe speed for the operation of motor vehicles at the following location is more than thirty miles per hour; and,

WHEREAS, after said investigation the City Council has found that the maximum reasonable and safe speed for the operation of vehicles is forty miles per hour at the following locations:

<u>ON STREET</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Newly Relocated Manor Road	Redwood Avenue	Westminster

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Clerk be, and she is hereby authorized and instructed to record this finding in Section 33.40 of the Traffic Register, and to alter such register so that it shall hereafter reflect that the present speed limit of thirty-five miles per hour on Manor Road shall hereafter be effective only along Manor Road from Chicon Street to Redwood Avenue and from Westminster Drive to the East City Limit line.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That such register reflect that the speed limit along Newly Relocated Manor Road, from Redwood Avenue to Westminster Drive, shall hereafter be 40 miles per hour.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:  
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

No action was taken on the tax appeal of WOODWARD MANUFACTURING CORPORATION, and it was requested that the Attorney, Mr. Jack Sparks, be notified to come before the Council next week.

The City Manager reported he had one letter asking that the lake be kept lowered for an additional 20 days. He said the arrangements made with the L.C.R.A. were that the lake would be kept down until February 29. He reported that Mr. Dave Barrow was doing some dredging in Dry Creek, but that he would be finished before the 29th. This letter the City Manager had was also in the interest of the Dry Creek dredging. The City Manager stated there had been some impression that the lake would start back up sooner. The Mayor asked that publicity be given that the Lake would be down until February 29th. Mr. Marion Fowler's request was brought up, but it was covered in this time limit already.

With reference to the area on San Antonio, Guadalupe, 4th and 5th Streets, the City Manager recommended that when the lot was opened that an attendant be employed to collect fees charged for hourly or all-day parking; that provisions be made for a monthly parking rate, and issuance of a card at the beginning of the month. Further recommendation was that the charge of \$.25¢ be made for all day parking, and a minimum charge of .15¢ for four hours or less; and \$5.00 per month; that one in-and-out privilege be included; and that the lot be opened from 6:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. The City Manager stated it was contemplated to use two attendants from 7:00 A.M. until 9:00 A.M. Councilman Bechtol moved that the City Manager's recommendation be followed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None  
Present but not voting: Councilman Perry (as he was in the business)

Councilman Bechtol moved that the Council authorize a change order in the contract with AUSTIN ENGINEERING COMPANY, in connection with Ben White Boulevard, to include 1600' of 6" main plus fittings, \$6,500. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
 Noes: None

The City Manager stated that the Heating, Airconditioning and Ventilating Ordinance, just adopted, provided for the appointment of an Appeals Board, and that the Council would probably want to be considering some people. He said the Board to be appointed would include the following:

- One heating and airconditioning contractor
- One licensed professional engineer
- One refrigeration contractor
- One property owner

The City Attorney stated that the Mayor had asked about the lease with the Pitch and Putt Golf Course, and reported that this lease would expire on May 1, 1960, and that some thought would have to be given as to what was going to be done with this area.

The Council received notice from the City Manager that the following zoning applications had been referred to the Planning Commission and set for public hearing before the Council on March 24, 1960:

CARLTON JOHNSON	915-17 West 29th Street	From "A" Residence To "O" Office
ETTA B. HARVEY By Richard R. Hooper	901-03 Wayside Drive 2410-14 West 9th Street	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence
EARL W. SHANK By F.F. Knight	1206-12 Windsor Road 1201-13 West 13th Street 1207-13 Shelley Avenue	From "A" Residence To "BB" Residence
MARVIN VICKERS	2120 (2116) Oxford Avenue	From "A" Residence 1st Hgt. & Area & "C" Commercial 2nd Hgt. & Area To "B" Residence 1st Hgt. & Area
MRS. ENA T. DAVIS By Sidney S. Smith	1417 West 51st Street	From "A" Residence 1st Hgt. & Area & "C" Commercial 2nd Hgt. & Area To "C" Commercial 2nd Hgt. & Area
CHESTER D. BROOKS	3618-3702 Munson Street	From "A" Residence To "BB" Residence 2nd Hgt. & Area

MRS. RUBY DAYWOOD By Joe Daywood	3510-3514 Guadalupe Street 600-08 Maiden Lane	From "C-1" Commercial To "C-2" Commercial
JOHN RIVAS, JR., Owner By Roy Rivas, Applicant	1311-13 Holly Street 56-58 Navasota	From "A" Residence To "LR" Local Retail
R. G. MUELLER, JR. By Ed Horne	4308-30 Bull Creek Road 2801-2907 Camp Mabry Road	From "A" Residence To "GR" General Retail
KEYSTONE REALTY CO., INC. By Lott & Crawford Associates	2608-12 Rogers Avenue 2100-2140 Walnut Avenue	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence
MRS. WESLEY DIVER	1201 Ruth Avenue 6604-08 Grover Avenue	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence
KEYSTONE REALTY CO., INC. By Lott & Crawford Associates	1610-1700 State Hwy. No. 29 1603-1703 Dalton Lane	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial
KEYSTONE REALTY CO., INC. By Lott & Crawford Associates	1210 Singleton Avenue 2405-07 East 13th Street	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence
GREAT NATIONAL INVESTMENT CORP. By J. Phillip Crawford	1807-13 Webberville Road	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence
W. L. MEIER, SR.	1514-1516 Parkway Road	From "B" Residence 1st Hgt. & Area To "B" Residence 2nd Hgt. & Area
MRS. FRANCES H. SMITH, Owner W. S. PLEMONS, Lessee By Joe T. Robertson	2610-12 (2606-08) West 7th Street	From "C" Commercial To "C-1" Commercial
MRS. MARY HARRISON & HELEN BRYDSON By Ginnetta Morris	1809-15 Chestnut Avenue 2301-05 East 19th Street	From "A" Residence To "B" Residence

The City Council received from the Director of Public Works the following:

"February 18, 1960

"Mayor & City Council  
City of Austin  
Austin, Texas

"Re: Work to be accomplished under  
Ordinance No. 591223H passed  
December 23, 1959

"In compliance with your directions given in the above ordinance, I file herewith my estimate of the cost of street improvements (curb, gutter and paving) on the following units set out in said Ordinance:

Contract No. 60-A-3

<u>Unit</u>		<u>Curb &amp; Gutter</u>	<u>Paving</u>	<u>Total</u>
59.77	Canadian St.-NGL E.6th St.to SGL E.7th St.	\$ 829.55	\$2,698.55	\$ 6,946.89
59.78	Eilers Ave.-NPL E.50th St. to SPL E. 51st St.	1,012.00	1,518.00	2,530.00
59.79	W.Live Oak St.-EPL S.1st St. to Point 26' W.of WPL Eva St.	2,955.38	6,628.83	9,928.21
59.80	Manorwood Rd.-NPL Manor Rd. to SPL Anchor La.	149.71	3,157.55	7,050.26
59.81	McKinley Ave.-NGL E.12th St. to E.18 $\frac{1}{2}$ St.	3,418.82	7,660.59	11,079.41
59.82	Pressler St.-NPL W.5th St. to Point 175' S.of SPL W.9th St.	3,102.67	3,993.52	7,353.19
59.83	San Marcos ST.-NPL E.5th St to SPL E. 6th St.	678.87	1,149.24	1,828.11
59.84	Speedway-NPL E.45th St. to NPL Hyde Park Annex	2,395.94	4,350.73	6,746.67
59.85	Towerview Ct.-WPL Manorwood Rd. West 115'		410.93	410.93
59.86	E.8th St.-EPL Chicon St. to WPL Prospect Ave.	3,176.99	5,029.22	9,351.21
59.87	E.9th St.-EPL San Marcos St. to WGL Navasota St.	2,195.71	4,723.00	6,918.71
59.88	E.11th St.-EGL Chicon St. to WPL Prospect Ave.	1,898.73	3,364.63	5,263.36
59.89	E.14th St.-EPL Harvey St. to WPL Airport Blvd.	1,340.13	3,323.95	4,873.08
59.90	E.14th $\frac{1}{2}$ St.-EPL Harvey St. to WPL Airport Blvd.	1,731.31	3,646.40	5,377.71
59.91	E.17th St.-EPL Harvey St. to WPL McKinley Ave.	934.14	2,034.63	2,968.77
59.92	E.18 $\frac{1}{2}$ St.-EPL Harvey St. to McKinley Ave.	678.72	1,097.91	1,776.63

"Yours very truly,  
(Sgd) S. Reuben Rountree, Jr.  
Director of Public Works"

Councilman Bechtol moved that the Council recess until 3:00 P.M. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: None

RECESSED MEETING

3:00 P.M.

Councilman Palmer moved that the Council recess until 3:00 P.M., Friday February 19th, 1960.

RECESSED MEETING

Friday, 3:00 P.M.  
February 19, 1960

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, Perry, White, Mayor Miller  
Absent: None

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney

Present also: MR. F. L. BUCHARD and STANLEY STUART of DeGOLYER and MacNAUGHTON; MR. CLINT SMALL, representing Intra State Gas Company; MR. FRANK DENIUS, Southern Union Gas Company; and MR. SOL SMITH, Geologists for TEXAS CENTRAL GAS COMPANY.

The Mayor stated he did not believe there would be over two or three firms who would send in a bid on the gas for the power plant. As soon as they were in the consultants could check the potentials. He said that this would be advertised so that everybody that was interested in bidding would know. The City Attorney submitted a proposed advertisement for bids to be received on Monday, March 7, 1960, for natural gas fuel supply for the Electrical Generating System. The Council discussed each of the five paragraphs of the advertisement. It was suggested that the time to receive the bids be moved up from March 7th to March 9th, and that a million dollar bid bond be required. The City Attorney read the advertisement as changed, as follows:

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS  
NATURAL GAS FUEL SUPPLY  
For the  
City of Austin, Texas  
Electrical Generating System

Sealed proposals addressed to the City of Austin, Texas, will be received at the office of the Electric Department, Austin, Texas, until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 9, 1960, for furnishing the entire natural gas fuel requirements of the electrical generating system of the City of Austin, Texas, for a period of twenty years from July 20, 1960.

Proposals will be publicly opened and read. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Proposals shall be accompanied by a bid bond in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 by an acceptable corporate surety, payable as agreed liquidated damages in the event the bidder fails, neglects, or refuses to accept and be bound by such contract if the same is awarded pursuant to the proposal made.

Complete specifications for the purpose of bidding may be obtained from the Electric Department, Room 310, Municipal Building, Austin, Texas.

The City of Austin, Texas, not only reserves the right to reject any

and all bids, and to waive formalities, but also reserves the right to determine the capability and responsibility of each bidder to fulfill the contractual commitment proposed by each bidder in determining which is the lowest and best responsible bid.

THE CITY OF AUSTIN TEXAS  
W.T. Williams, Jr.  
City Manager

Councilman Palmer moved to advertise, according to this advertisement for bids, and accept this one change, along with the bid bond, to make the date Wednesday, March 9, 1960. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Palmer, White, Mayor Miller  
Noes: Councilman Bechtol  
Present but not voting: Councilman Perry

There being no further business the Council adjourned subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk